

ACQUISITION LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT

ACQ 451 – INTEGRATED ACQUISITION FOR DECISION MAKERS

This specific action-based learning course exposes DoD acquisition workforce members to several perspectives for identifying the acquisition interface challenges and for developing strategies for improving integration throughout the acquisition environment. Participants will gain a wider field of view towards integrated acquisition. DoD leadership has long stressed the criticality of collaboration among functional disciplines and decision-making that considers a total life cycle focus. Increasingly, program success also depends upon close collaboration between the acquisition, requirements, budgeting, and science and technology communities. The need to work within a system of systems architecture and the emphasis on increased joint and international cooperation add further complexity to the acquisition environment. This course spans all these dimensions of integrated acquisition. Participants will explore integration challenges through simulations, exercises, case studies, and guided discussions and will develop their own tailored integration strategies.

Objectives: Participants who successfully complete this course will be able to:

- Recognize the challenges of and opportunities for integrated acquisition associated with their own environments.
- Formulate tailored strategies to promote effective integration and collaboration both within and outside of their organizations.

Who Should Attend: Civilians GS 13-15, NH III/NH IV, or equivalent, Military O4-06 who are level III certified in any DAWIA career field and have 3 to 5 years of acquisition experience at level III. Industry and Allied participants are eligible and encouraged to attend on a space-available basis.

Prerequisite: DAWIA Level III certification in at least one acquisition career field and at least 3 to 5 years of level III experience. Industry and allied participants should have at least 3 to 5 years of acquisition experience.

Length: 3 days plus approximately 3-4 hours of pre and post course work.

Method of Delivery: Resident/local